

**INFLUENZA CASES DECREASING AT DIX**  
Only 41 New Cases Develop in Day, but Death Takes Twenty-four Soldiers

Special Dispatch to the Evening Public Ledger  
Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J., Oct. 8.—One new influenza patient was admitted to the base hospital during a twenty-four-hour period and only forty other mild cases developed in the whole camp, according to the report submitted by the camp surgeon. Twenty-four new deaths were reported, making a total of 732 since the epidemic started and twenty-nine new cases of pneumonia developed. At the present time there are 2685 suffering from influenza and 1184 from pneumonia.

Among those who succumbed were Private Julius Gainer, 1813 Fairmount avenue, Trenton; Joseph Thomsen, 50 Belmont avenue, Newark; Anthony Bivill, 22 Summers street, and Edward Kapp, 1911 South Third street, Philadelphia; Cornelius Field, Ephraim, N. J.; Charles E. Harden, Halseyville, N. J.; William Evans, Jersey City; Joseph Crowley, Wilmington, Del.; Frank Lemington, Pennington, N. J.; John F. Colburn, Charles County, Md.; Herbert Snyder, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Morton Sanderson, New Windsor, Md., and Sergeant Frank King, Rochester, N. Y.

**To Instruct in French**  
Announcement has been made that Prof. E. H. Wilkins, of the University of Chicago, chairman of the executive committee on Romance language instruction and the War Mothers Language Association of America, has proffered the services of that organization to the War Department to give, through the Y. M. C. A., a course of instruction in French to divisions and camps. Organizations not under orders for overseas service are to furnish to camp headquarters a list of the officers and men who are probably volunteer for instruction in French and as soon as this is received classes will be organized by Professor Wilkins, competent instructors being furnished by the Y. M. C. A.

At the request of President Wilson, next Saturday will be doubly celebrated by the soldiers at Dix, for while it is Columbus Day, it will also be known as Liberty Day and, although no general celebration will be held on account of the influenza epidemic, yet the various organization commanders have asked of Major General Hugh L. Scott, the camp commander, to hold ceremonies in the various areas.

The Knights of Columbus and Y. M. C. A. are also preparing celebrations. Entertainments will be provided by outside talent, if quarantine is lifted and, if not, feature movies will be shown.

**Girls 3-Year Sentence**  
A "vacation" of nearly two months has cost Private Virginia C. Kananan, a member of Company 12, 132d Depot Brigade, his liberty for the next five years, for a general court-martial board has found him guilty of desertion.

The following enlisted men of the Depot Brigade have been transferred as of present grade in replacement troops, unassigned, and have been transferred to the central officers' training school for cavalry, Camp Stanley, Leon Springs, Tex.: Frank Haurabon, Watson E. Doolittle, E. H. Hewitt, F. M. Raffridge, C. L. Earley, Harry P. Emery, Michael Conrad, Neil C. Fraley, Ralph J. Crandall and Cornish E. Allen.

**MUST INCREASE OIL OUTPUT**

Independent Operators Meet to Discuss Methods

New York, Oct. 8.—To discuss means of avoiding a serious shortage of oil this winter, Mark L. Requa, director of the oil division of the fuel administration, has arranged for daily conferences here this week with more than 500 operators of independent oil plants throughout the country, whose tenth annual convention began here today. Mr. Requa stated that because production especially must be materially increased, as its position was more unsatisfactory than that of gasoline or fuel oil.

Use of oil for the army, navy and munition manufacture has become so great, according to J. A. Specht, of Chicago, secretary of the Oil Men's Association, that every oil plant in the country must increase its production. M. J. Byrne, president of the association, sharply criticized the independent refiners of the country for their attitude toward the independent jobbers. He characterized them as "deserters" and predicted that a day of reckoning would come when commercial rivalry is resumed.

**HAUGHTON LED IN RESCUE**

Trapped Americans in Argonne Ate Oak Leaves

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 7.—(U. S. S.)—Lieutenant Colonel (ret.) Haughton, of Racine, Wis., formerly a major in the Canadian army, led the American troops that relieved the beleaguered battalion east of Binarville, in the northern part of the Argonne Forest. When they came upon the besieged American battalion they found the Yankees "almost all in." The American force was carrying only one day's rations when cut off and they had been compelled to reinforce their slender stores with oak leaves.

During the three days that the Americans were surrounded they were heavily pounded by German mortars and burned with liquid fire and gas. The French army had previously made gallant attempts to rescue the Americans, but encountered the stiffest resistance.

**PRINCETON MAN A HERO**

Prof. McConnell, on Leave of Absence, Killed in France

Princeton, Oct. 8.—Word has been received of the death in action in France on July 29 of William H. McConnell, professor of Spanish, of Princeton University. Professor McConnell is the sixth member of the faculty to be reported in the casualty lists. Mr. McConnell last year obtained leave for the duration of the war and left to take up Y. M. C. A. work in France as he was under height for the service. Wanting to take more active part, he succeeded in enlisting last spring with the Twenty-sixth Infantry as a private, and it is understood that he went to the front immediately with a French regiment.

**ITALIAN SHIP SUNK**

21 of Crew Missing After Vessel Is Torpedoed Off Coast

The Italian steamship Alberto Treves was torpedoed October 5 about 200 miles from the American coast, the Navy Department announced today. Thirteen survivors have been picked up by the ship's crew. The ship was carrying 200 passengers and 200 crew members. The ship was a vessel of 2212 gross tons. American steamship Westgate, a naval transport, was also torpedoed and sunk at sea with the loss of 21 crew members.

**PHILADELPHIA'S WOMAN AMBULANCE DRIVER**



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**AMBULANCE MAN ILL; SCHOOL GIRL DRIVER**

E. Kathryn Fell Delays University Studies to Aid in Grip Fight

Driving a hospital ambulance fifteen hours a day is nothing extraordinary, according to Miss E. Kathryn Fell, daughter of E. Lawrence Fell, president of the Franklin Printing Company. "I've always driven cars," she commented. Miss Fell, after she had tenderly assisted in the removal of a pneumonia patient from the ambulance to the Women's Medical College Hospital, "I've always driven cars," she continued, "and, naturally, I find driving the ambulance very simple."

Miss Fell, a former student at the Women's Medical College, postponed her studies at the University of Pennsylvania last week to take the place of the regular chauffeur, who is stricken with influenza. Working day and night since last Thursday she has brought more than a hundred patients to the hospital.

Miss Fell is a niece of the late D. Newton Fell, formerly chief justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

**HOSPITAL QUICKLY PREPARED**

Collingswood Health Board Takes Over Country Club Building

In less than a day the Collingswood Health Board took over the house, now the Yorkship Village Club, on Newton Lake, and altered it into an emergency hospital. There are twenty-five beds in position with capacity for fifty. This morning there were nearly a dozen cases of influenza entered. The first three cases were taken to the hospital late yesterday afternoon. They are George Sanson and Charles Barlow, of Yorkship Village, and William Price, of Collingswood. There are more than 1800 cases of grip in Collingswood and 100 cases of influenza.

**SEVEN DIE IN CRASH AT SEA**

One Vessel Is Sunk in Collision. Other Reaches Port

An Atlantic Port, Oct. 8.—Carrying all but seven of the crew of an American freight ship with which she had been in collision, another steamship flying the American flag has arrived here. The seven men were lost by the capsizing of a lifeboat as their ship went down, with a cargo valued at \$3,000,000. The vessels crashed head-on some distance off the coast of New York Monday morning, during a thick mist and rain-storm. Several seamen were injured by the collision. One vessel began to sink rapidly. Three lifeboats were launched and the crew scrambled into them. In the heavy sea one of the lifeboats capsized. Although the ship was stove in, she was able to make this port.

Diapatches from Washington yesterday said the American steamship Westgate had been sunk as a result of collision with the steamship American, and that six of the Westgate's crew were lost.

**POLES PLEDGE FIDELITY TO END**

Impressive Ceremony at Review in Lorraine Valley

With the American Army in Lorraine, Oct. 8.—(By N. S. S.)—Polish troops and officials of the Polish council at a review in the Lorraine valley today solemnly pledged their last drop of blood for the liberation of Poland. A Polish division formed a hollow square in the Lorraine valley, while French, American and Polish aviators executed daring stunts overhead. Father executed daring stunts overhead. Father executed daring stunts overhead. Father executed daring stunts overhead.

**ORDNANCE ASSISTANTS NAMED**

T. H. Symington and W. W. Coleman Appointed to Special Work

Washington, Oct. 8.—W. W. Coleman, of South Milwaukee, Wis., and T. H. Symington, of Rochester, N. Y., have been appointed special assistants to the chief of ordnance of the army.

**CAMP MEADE TRAINS NON-ENGLISH UNIT**

Major Thomas Amato Placed in Charge of Foreign-Speaking Battalion

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Camp Meade, Md., Oct. 8.

Major Thomas S. Amato has assumed command of the training battalion of the 154th Depot Brigade, which is made up entirely of non-English speaking selected men, who are being developed under a new system approved by the War Department so that they will be the equal of any American soldiers.

Major Amato was an officer in the Ohio National Guard. He is a Sicilian by birth and was selected for the work which he is so successfully accomplishing here because of his understanding of the manners and the customs of the foreign element. Most of the soldiers of the battalion are Italians. The others are Bosnians, Serbians, Greeks and Czech-Slovaks. Officers, similar to Major Amato, of these same nationalities or with a knowledge of the languages and the customs of the men, command the companies.

While some commands are given in the soldiers' own language, the English translation is also given, so that they will know and understand the commands if given by an officer who cannot understand their own language. The object of the training is to teach the men to know and understand the American language and customs as well as their own.

The authorities are very much gratified at the decrease in the number of new cases of influenza. They hope to see the disease wiped out of the cantonment within the next week or ten days. Everything is being done to prevent the further spread of the malady and to restore to health those lads who are victims.

**Mr. and Mrs. Beggs Improve**

Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Beggs, of Havertown, who have been critically ill with influenza, were reported today as improving favorably. Mrs. Beggs is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Barke, Jr., and is a sister of Mrs. Alden Lee, wife of Eustace Lee, U. S. N., who died on Monday of pneumonia following

**Local Soldier Dies in Camp**

Private Christian Mueller, casual detachment, died at the base hospital of Camp Meade of pneumonia. His father, George Mueller, lives at 173 South Third street, this city, and the body will be shipped here for interment.



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